



STATE BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH  
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## **IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL CATTLE ENTERING NORTH DAKOTA**

The State Board of Animal Health requires that all sexually intact cattle of any age, steers and spayed heifers less than four months of age, imported from any state, be officially identified prior to entry into North Dakota. Spayed heifers greater than four months of age must have a statement on the accompanying Health Certificate, by the veterinarian, verifying that they are spayed in order to be exempt from ID requirements. Importation permits are required on all calves under four months of age. Imported calves are not to be resold in less than sixty days. Nursing calves accompanying their dam are exempt from this requirement, except from MI and TX.

### **ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF OFFICIAL ID INCLUDE:**

- USDA Silver tags
- Official Brucellosis (Bangs) vaccination tags
- USDA Approved Radio Frequency Identification Tags

**\*Effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, registration tattoos and registration numbers will no longer be considered official ID for cattle being imported into North Dakota.**